

Minutes
Waukesha County Criminal Justice Collaborating Council
Executive Committee
December 13, 2010

Davis called the meeting to order at 8:46 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Judge Mac Davis, Brad Schimel, Dan Vrakas, Peter Schuler, Sam Benedict. **Absent:** Jim Dwyer.

Also Present: Rebecca Luczaj, Clara Daniels, Vanessa Allen, Karen Phillips.

Approve Minutes from November 17, 2010 Meeting

The minutes of November 17, 2010 were approved without objection.

Discuss & Consider Submitting Application for National Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) Network

Luczaj discussed the terms of the National CJCC Network membership. The goal of the project is to provide a way for CJCC leaders nationwide to share information and ideas. An executive committee member and the coordinator from twelve CJCC's would participate for a one-year term and be required to attend two meetings; no other time commitment is required. A national database of CJCC's will be developed from this effort.

MOTION: Vrakas moved, second by Schimel, to submit an application for the National CJCC Network membership. Motion carried without objection.

Luczaj advised that the signature of each CJCC Executive Committee member is required on the application.

Discuss & Consider CJCC Committee Membership Changes

- Replace DJ Blum with Ray Cunneen (Workforce Development, Inc.) on Programs & Alternatives Committee
- Add Steve Guth, Waukesha West School Resource Officer, to Juvenile Justice Committee
- Add Sara Castillo, DOC Community Corrections Agent, to Juvenile Justice Committee

The background and qualifications of each candidate was briefly discussed. Each candidate has expressed interest in participating as a member of the committee for which they are being considered. Benedict was unsure about the connection of DOC Corrections Agent Sara Castillo to the Juvenile Justice Committee and suggested delaying her appointment pending further review.

MOTION: Benedict moved, second by Schimel, to approve the committee appointments of Ray Cunneen and Steve Guth. Motion carried without objection.

In the absence of objection, the committee appointment of Sara Castillo was tabled until the next CJCC Executive Committee meeting.

Discuss & Consider Submitting Application for Office of Justice Assistance (OJA) CJCC Grant

Luczaj discussed the terms of the OJA grant as outlined on the handout distributed. The lump sum funding (a maximum of \$10,000) must be used only for new programming, not to supplant an existing program. Luczaj advised that the application is very extensive and she would likely need help in order to complete it by the December 22, 2010 due date. A number of possible programming options and ideas were suggested and discussed, including the following:

- Enhance an existing program, i.e. an automated call system to remind defendants of upcoming court dates (to reduce failure-to-appear rate).
- Enhance Day Report Center
- Scholarship assistance for the Juvenile Diversion Program
- A mental health or drug treatment court
- Project to gather data to use for strategic planning
- Hire a consulting service to address the County's data warehouse issues

MOTION: Benedict moved, second by Schuler, to support but not require the submission of an application for the OJA CJCC grant, provided an appropriate project is identified within the required timeframe. Motion carried without objection.

Follow-Up Discussion of 12/6/10 CJCC Meeting & Planning for Subsequent Meeting or Advocacy Efforts

Davis stated that much time and effort was put into the December 6th CJCC meeting. The meeting was poorly attended by legislators, in part due to some scheduling conflicts which occurred the week prior to the meeting. Only State Representative Steve Nass and a staffer of State Representative Leah Vukmir attended. Other options for dispersing the presentation were discussed, including traveling to Madison and meeting with legislators individually to garner support for Intoxicated Driver Intervention program funding. Sarah Spaeth of the County Board Office is willing to assist by organizing contacts in Madison once she is provided with specific dates.

Update on Presenter for 1/18/11 Drug Abuse Trends Committee

Luczaj stated that Dr. Richard Brown, Clinical Director of the Wisconsin Initiative to Promote Healthy Lifestyles and Associate Professor of Family Medicine at UW-Madison, has been secured to present at the next Drug Abuse Trends Committee meeting. His presentation, "Evidence Based Responses to Alcohol and Drug Use", is scheduled for Tuesday, January 18, from 9-11 a.m. Since the CJCC is paying \$750 for his presentation and travel expense, it was suggested that an invitation to attend be extended to other individuals including district attorney, public defender and HHS staff; judges, CJCC members, etc. Luczaj will put together an announcement for circulation and ask for an RSVP so that proper room accommodations can be arranged.

Next CJCC Executive Committee Meeting

- Monday, January 10, 2011 @ 8:30 am, Room C179 (pending sufficient agenda items)

Next CJCC Meeting

- Wednesday, January 26, 2011 @ 8:30 am, Room C179 (update on year-end programming statistics)

The meeting adjourned at 9:22 am.